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Thus was born – particularly in the young generation – a spirit of dissent that ranged from superficial disavowal of the old values to total commitment to wholesale, drastic and immediate social reform. Yet all of it was dissent. Their voice is still a minority; but united with millions of black protesting voices, it has become a sound of distant thunder increasing in volume with the gathering of storm clouds. This dissent is America's hope.

A Testament of Hope

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 1968

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Dear Hope Breakfast Attendees,

It is with immense pride and profound honor that we welcome you to the 2024 Hope Breakfast, an event that has flourished over the last eleven years. Our gathering this morning is not just a tribute to Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., an esteemed member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., but also a call to action that resonates with his enduring legacy.

As we come together for our 11th annual celebration, let us remember that Dr. King's vision for equality and justice remains a beacon that guides our path forward. The road to change is paved with challenges; it demands not just controversy and determination but an unwavering commitment to persistent effort. It is through our unity and collective action that we can continue to shape a future reflective of Dr. King's dream.

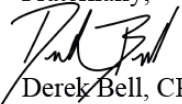
This occasion provides us with the opportunity to reflect, engage, and inspire. As we honor Dr. King, let us embrace his powerful declaration, "The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice." May this assurance of a just future inspire each of us to be active participants in shaping it, and may we be emboldened to become catalysts for positive transformation within our communities.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude for your presence, which enriches this event with diverse perspectives and shared aspirations. Your continued support, both financial and through volunteerism, is the cornerstone upon which the Hope Breakfast thrives. It is your generosity that enables us to provide vital scholarships, robust mentorship programs, and essential support services to the youth of the Greater Louisville area. These initiatives empower our young people to pursue academic excellence, nurture their leadership potential, and foster their personal growth.

As we gather here today, let us remember that each contribution, no matter the size, has a ripple effect that extends far beyond this morning's gathering. Your involvement is an investment in our future leaders and innovators. We are deeply thankful for your commitment to this cause and eagerly anticipate welcoming you again next year, united in our mission to uplift and transform our community through education and mentorship.

In closing, I wish to express our deepest appreciation to the brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Their unwavering dedication and tireless efforts have been instrumental in perpetuating the values we honor today. Together, let us stride forward, inspired by the past and invigorated for the future, as we uphold the pillars of faith, leadership, and service that Dr. King exemplified.

Fraternally,


Derek Bell, CPA
Chapter President
Alpha Lambda Chapter



Dear Friends, Guests, and Brothers,

Welcome to the 11th annual Hope Breakfast sponsored by the Alpha Lambda Education Foundation (ALEF) and the men of the Alpha Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc

The ALEF was established by the brothers of the Alpha Lambda chapter in the year 1999 to foster educational achievement and high scholastic standards in the lives of young, African-American, and Latino youth in Louisville Metro. We accomplish this lofty goal through the allotment of collegiate scholarships to high school seniors who plan on matriculating to colleges/universities after graduation. From our inception the foundation has given thousands of dollars in scholarships with more than \$36,000 in the last five years – including this year.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was founded 117 years ago on the campus of Cornell University by seven young men who sought to support one another and ensure scholastic success of the collective group. These men, who we refer to as the Jewels, accomplished this despite the racism and discrimination that was prevalent in the year 1906. Chapters quickly spread across the nation and we were fortunate to establish a chapter here in Louisville in the year 1911.

According to the Social Security Administration, men with bachelor's degrees earn approximately \$900,000 more in median lifetime earnings than high school graduates. Men with graduate degrees earn \$1.5 million more in median lifetime earnings than high school graduates. Education matters!!

Education is the cornerstone which stabilizes the house of accomplishment. As a fraternity which was founded on the Aims of Manly Deeds, Scholarship, and Love of All Mankind we hope this monetary allotment will start these young men on the path to educational achievement and a lifetime of success.

Thank you for joining us at our event and I thank you for your support of the Hope Breakfast and these young men.

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Ed Goins, Jr., Executive Director
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A Brief History of Alpha Phi Alpha

Since its founding on December 4, 1906, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. has supplied voice and vision to the struggle of African-Americans and people of color around the world.

Alpha Phi Alpha, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established by, and for African-Americans, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York by seven college men who recognized the need for a strong bond of brotherhood among African descendants in this country. The visionary founders, known as the “Jewels” of the Fraternity, are Henry Arthur Callis, Charles Henry Chapman, Eugene Kinckle Jones, George Biddle Kelley, Nathaniel Allison Murray, Robert Harold Ogle, and Vertner Woodson Tandy.

The Fraternity initially served as a study and support group for minority students who faced racial prejudice, both educationally and socially, at Cornell. The Jewel founders and early leaders of the Fraternity succeeded in laying a firm foundation for Alpha Phi Alpha's mission of developing leaders, promoting brotherhood and academic excellence, while providing service and advocacy for our communities.

Alpha Phi Alpha chapters were established at other colleges and universities, many of them historically black institutions, soon after the founding at Cornell; the first Alumni Chapter was established in 1911. While continuing to stress academic excellence among its collegiate members, Alpha also recognized the need to help correct the educational, economic, political, and social injustices faced by African-Americans in the early 20th century. Alpha Phi Alpha has long stood at the forefront of the African-American community's fight for civil rights through leaders such as: W.E.B. DuBois, Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., Edward Brooke, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Thurgood Marshall, Andrew Young, William Gray, Paul Robeson, and many others. True to its form as the “first of firsts,” Alpha Phi Alpha has been interracial since 1945.

The History of Alpha Lambda Chapter

Alpha Lambda, the first graduate chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, had its inception in Louisville, Kentucky, as an outgrowth of the University Club which met at the Western Branch Library to discuss current topics of the day.

Jewel Eugene Kinckle Jones, then engaged as a teacher in the city schools of Louisville, was instrumental in persuading the following members of the University Club to become affiliated with Alpha Phi Alpha: Messrs. J.O. Blanton, A. S. Brock, W.T. Peyton, J. H. Hubert, W. Welch, F. Johnson, C.A. Powell, J.T. Clark, W. Ballard, and D. L. Lawson. It is significant to note that these men were not members of Alpha Phi Alpha at this time.

On April 11, 1911, Brother Richard Hill, a graduate of Fisk University, came from the University of Michigan where he was studying law, and with the assistance of Jewel Jones set up the first graduate chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha.

The decision to establish a graduate chapter was met by opposition from the National Body. The opinion of the Brothers at that time was that the Fraternity was for undergraduates only. After careful consideration of the matter, however, it was concluded at the Fourth Annual Convention that this infant group would be Lambda Chapter since eight undergraduates chapters were in existence at that time.

The Fifth General Convention and First Alumni Reunion convened on December 26, 1912, hosted by Kappa Chapter, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. The new Lambda Chapter was ably represented by delegates A. S. Brock and J. T. Clark. A recommendation was presented by Brother Brock that all graduate chapters be designated similar to the undergraduate chapters, but with Lambda as a final letter. The recommendation was adopted by a motion of Jewel Kelly, seconded by Brother Dunn. Thus the Louisville chapter became known as Alpha Lambda and the system for naming the graduate chapters was established.

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Alpha Lambda Chapter
Louisville, Kentucky

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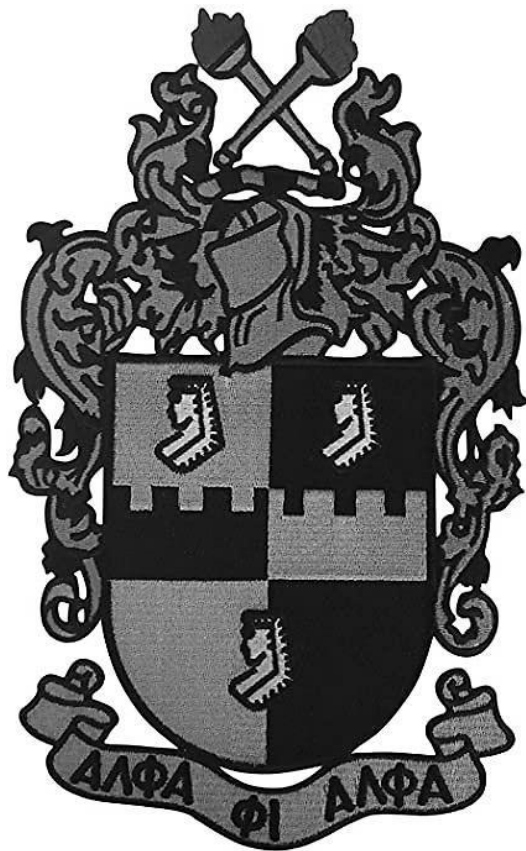
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Alpha Lambda Education Foundation

History

The Alpha Lambda Education Foundation (ALEF) is a tax-exempt entity that was established by the brothers of the Alpha Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. in the year 1999 to promote scholastic achievement and intellectual youth development. ALEF exists under the rules and guidelines of the Internal Revenue Code 501 (c) (3).

Mission

The mission of the Alpha Lambda Education Foundation (ALEF) is to perpetuate high social and intellectual principles by providing scholarships and other educational benefits to African-American and Latino youth in the Louisville Metro community.

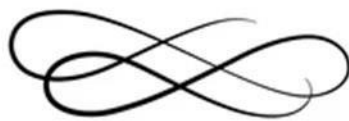


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(From L to R) Charles Piphus, Lathon Logan,
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Cecil Brookins



The Alpha Lambda Education Foundation is pleased to announce that with your generous donations, we will allot scholarships to the following Louisville Metro students in 2024.

Jeremiah Bradley
Central High School

Emory Brookins
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Central High School



Dr. King speaking in Louisville at the Greater St. James AME Church on May 3rd, 1967



Our Mistress of Ceremony

Photo: Courtesy Courier-Journal

Caray Grace is a native of middle Tennessee. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Memphis where she studied broadcast journalism and Spanish. She previously worked at WLOX in Biloxi, Mississippi where she covered her fair share of tropical storms and hurricanes.

When she's not covering a story, she and her husband can be found watching the LA Lakers, Tennessee Titans, and of course the Memphis Tigers, but watching TV is even harder these days as they raise their young daughter and twin boys who keep them very busy.

Caray is also a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.



Program

Breakfast

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. speaks

Invocation Bro. Rev. Dr. Bernard Crayton

Introduction of Mistress of Ceremony

Caray Grace

Greetings Hon. Craig Greenberg, Mayor

Greetings Alpha Lambda Chapter President Derek Bell

Musical Selection *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

Introduction of Speakers Caray Grace

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Hon. Angela McCormick Bisig

Lonita Baker, Esq.

Hon. Gerald Neal

Scholarship Presentations Bro. Michael Crawford

Lyman T. Johnson “Torchbearer” Award & Frank L. Stanley, Sr. Leadership Award Presentations

Closing Remarks ALEF Executive Director Ed Goins Jr.

Benediction Bro. Rev. Dr. Bernard Crayton

Edler Jonhatan Jr. is a Junior studying Political Science at the University of Louisville. Edler is a member of the Woodford R. Porter Scholarship program, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Honors Scholar Program, and a Fall 2022 initiate of the Alpha Pi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated.

He a first-generation Haitian-American and a Louisville native.

Growing up in the city has allowed him to study the unique political climate and diverse demographics of the state and has motivated him into pursuing a career in political advocacy.

Upon the completion of his undergraduate studies in May of 2025, Edler intends to pursue a master's degree. Afterwards, Edler wishes to remain in his hometown and start a career in correcting systemic injustices against minorities.



Angela McCormick Bisig was elected to the Kentucky Supreme Court in November 2022. She serves the Fourth Supreme Court District which is Jefferson County. Justice Bisig has been a member of the Kentucky Judiciary for 21 years. She has served in both district and circuit courts and as chief judge of both terms. Justice Bisig worked as a juvenile court judge for many years. She was a founding member of a restorative justice program which currently serves to rehabilitate juveniles and bring healing to crime victims. She also founded Jefferson County's only language and cultural immersion training for court system partners.

Prior to her service on the bench Justice Bisig served as an attorney for 13 years. She worked for 7 years as a prosecutor in the area of domestic violence and sexual assaults. Justice Bisig is very involved in the community and is on the Board of Directors of the Volunteers of America. She also has served on the Boards of the Dare to Care food bank, the Center for Women, the Red Cross,

Sister Cities of Louisville and on the Board of Trustees of the University of Louisville.

Justice Bisig was voted the “Judge of the Year” by the Louisville Bar Association in 2013 and 2020. She was named “Trial Judge of the Year” in 2021 by the American Board of Trial Advocates. She has also been named a Muhammad Ali Daughter of Greatness. She is married to Arnold Rivera and has 3 adult children and 2 stepchildren.



A lifelong Louisvillian, Lonita Baker graduated from Ballard High School in 1999 and attended the University of Louisville on a full academic scholarship. After obtaining a Bachelor of Arts in psychology with minors in sociology and Pan-African studies, Lonita continued her studies at the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law. In 2017, she earned a master’s degree in business administration, with distinction, from the University of Louisville College of Business.

Lonita is currently the full-time corporate counsel at Waystar since November 2021. Previously, she was an attorney at Sam Aguiar Injury Lawyers in Louisville, Ky. Prior to working at Aguiar Injury Lawyers, Lonita served as an Assistant Jefferson County Attorney for over six years. While at the Jefferson County Attorney’s Office, she practiced in the Legislative Services Branch of the Civil Division and as a supervising prosecutor in the Criminal Division.

Lonita previously served on the Board of Directors for the Louisville Bar Association, and she serves as an adjunct professor at the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law.

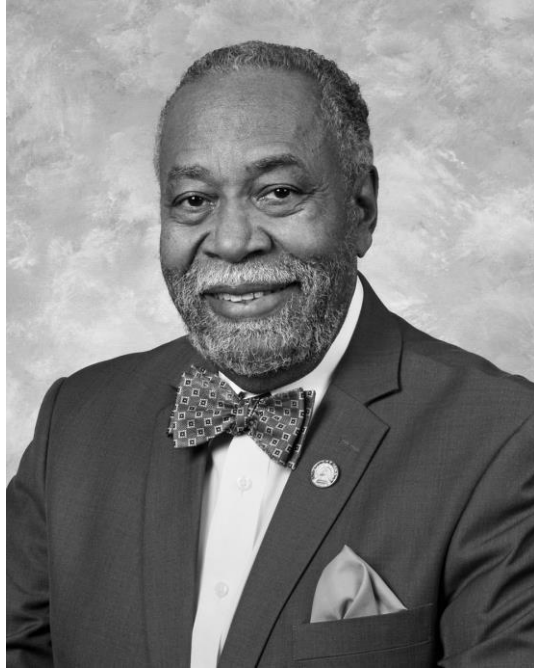
Lonita has received several awards for her service to the legal profession, including being named a Top 40 Under 40 Attorney by the National Bar Association (2015) and The National Black Lawyers (2017) and three National Bar Association Presidential Awards.



Elected to represent District 33 (in Jefferson County), Sen. Gerald Neal is the first African-American male elected to the Kentucky State Senate. Senator Neal was first elected in 1989 and has since been consecutively re-elected the last 34 years. This represents the second to the longest service of any member of the Kentucky General Assembly. He has been a strong voice for senior citizens, youth, the disadvantaged and minorities and a staunch supporter of education, healthcare and penal code reform.

He was born on September 22, 1945. He graduated from Kentucky State University in 1967, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Political Science. In 1972, he received a Juris Doctor of Law degree from the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law. The University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law named him a 2006 Distinguished Alumni Law Fellow. He currently serves as a senior fellow at the University of Louisville, where he teaches courses in history, politics and public policy. Sen. Neal has been a practicing attorney with his own law firm, Gerald A. Neal & Associates, LLC., in Louisville, since 1973.

On May 27, 2010, the Senate adopted Senator Neal's resolution reaffirming the principles of equality preserved in the U. S. Constitution, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kentucky Civil Rights Act of 1966. The resolution states that the Senate "recognizes the need for equality of all persons in the United States, and in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the protection of that equality."



Frank L. Stanley, Sr. Leadership Award

This award recognizes an □□□ brother who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and service which contributed to the success of not only the Fraternity, but also to the community and his chosen profession.



Bro. Dr. Eric T. French, Sr.

Frank Leslie Stanley, Sr. was born in Chicago, IL and raised in Louisville, Kentucky. He graduated from Central High School in 1925. He received his B.A. from Atlanta University in 1929 and began teaching English, first at Jackson State College, then later at Central High School from 1931-1933.

Stanley joined the staff of the *Louisville Defender* in 1933, becoming editor and general manager in 1936. He was also a civil rights activist; in 1950 he drafted Senate Resolution #53 which led to the integration of institutions of higher education in Kentucky. He served as general president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. from 1955 to 1957. In 1960 he advocated for the creation of the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights.

He was married to Vivian Clark Stanley and he had two sons from a previous marriage, Frank, Jr. and Kenneth.



Lyman T. Johnson “Torchbearer” Award

This award recognizes a person in the Metro Louisville community who has demonstrated a willingness and ability to make significant contributions to the community through their time, actions, and dedication. The person selected for this award should serve as a role model for advocacy, leadership, determination, and compassion in his/her efforts to affect positive change in the lives of African-Americans and Latinos in Metro Louisville.



Tori Murden McClure

Lyman Tefft Johnson was born in Columbia, Tennessee on June 12, 1906. He was the eighth of nine children born to Mary and Robert Johnson.

In 1937, Lyman married Juanita Morrell; they were married for forty years and had two children, Yvonne, and Lyman M.

Johnson received a Bachelor's Degree in 1930 from Virginia Union University and a Master's Degree in History in 1931 from the University of Michigan. He moved to Louisville, Kentucky in the spring of 1933 and started teaching history at Central High School. He spent the next forty years as a public and parochial school educator. In 1948 he fought successfully in federal court for admission to the allwhite University of Kentucky and was also a plaintiff in the 1972-1975 federal court case that led to further integration of Louisville and Jefferson County Public Schools.

He died in Louisville, Kentucky on October 3, 1997.



Lift Every Voice and Sing*

J. Rosamond Johnson & James Weldon Johnson

*Lift every voice and sing,
Till earth and heaven ring;
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise,
High as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of faith that the dark past has taught us, Sing
a song full of the hope that the present has brought us. Facing
the rising sun of our new day begun, Let us march on till
victory is won.*

*God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by thy might, led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God where we met thee,
Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand, True to our
God, true to our native land.*

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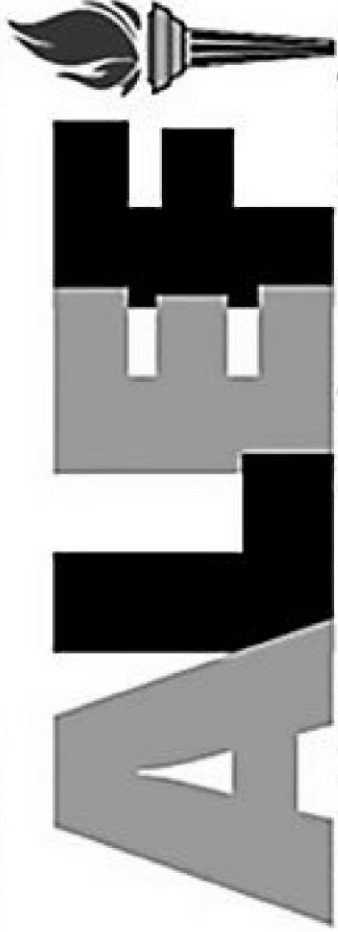
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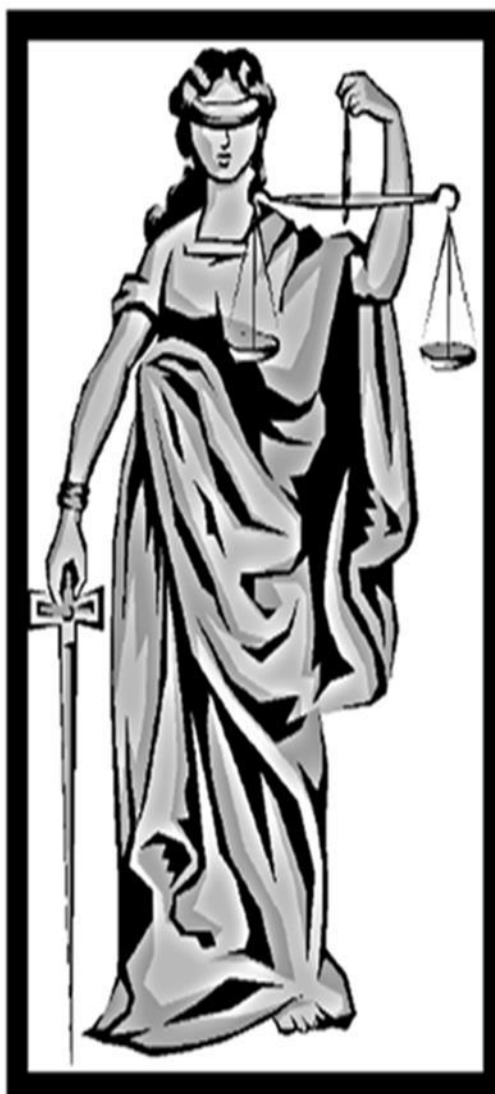
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*How blessed are those
who keep justice, who
practice righteousness
at all times! Psalms
106:3*



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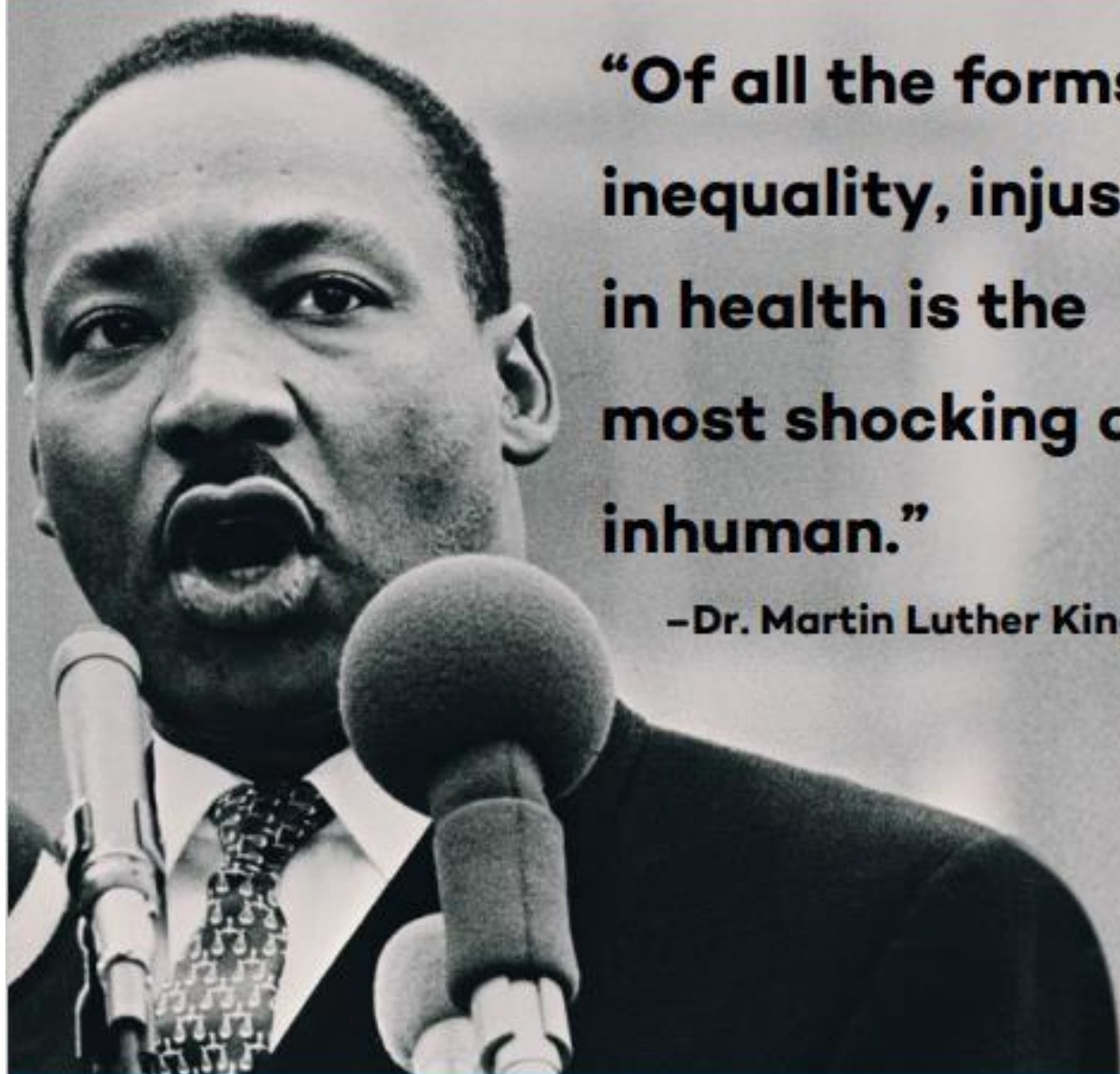
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